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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from March 15 to April 15 are listed below. These projects have been screened through the internal environmental review process for potential impacts on wetlands, threatened and endangered species, and cultural and archaeological resources, etc. Through the review process it was determined that environmental impacts have been kept to a minimum and mitigated as necessary, that they do not meet the criteria for significant actions as defined in the environmental review process, and may proceed. All of these projects are in compliance with the Endangered Species Protection Act, Natural Areas Preservation Act, Interagency Wetlands Policy Act and cultural resource statutes.

Argyle Lake State Park

0710539 - This project involves creating an aggregate ramp on the steepest section of dam on west side of the spillway. The ramp will help stabilize an existing erosional problem and will facilitate the movement of materials that will be required to complete a retaining wall project on our trail system. Project was submitted for review on 2-7-07.

• Hennepin Canal Parkway State Park

0712424 - This project involves the placement of two 6-foot wooden benches on both sides of the existing ramp. Project was submitted for review on 3-20-07.

• Hennepin Canal Parkway State Park

0712426 - This project involves the placement of a concrete memorial bench on the northwest side of Bridge 48 along the trail. Project was submitted for review on 3-20-07.

• Hennepin Canal Parkway State Park

0712433 - This project involves the placement of a 10' x 20' "U" shaped floating dock, held in place by driven pipes into the canal prism. Project was submitted for review on 3-20-07.

Mississippi River Fish & Wildlife Area

0711875 - This project involves connecting two containment sites for water transfer. A 12" pipe will be buried between two spoil sites. This project will create 20 acres of seasonal wetland. Project was submitted for review on 2-28-07.

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0711874 - This project involves the installation of a water control tube and gate in the drainage ditch so rain water runoff can collect in lower portions of agricultural field. Approximately 100 feet of earth berm a maximum 2 feet high will be constructed. Project was submitted for review on 2-28-07.

• Apple River State Park

0712712 - This project involves the removal one shed, its foundation, and regrade the area. Project was submitted for review on 3-30-07.

• Sandra Miller Bellrose Nature Preserve

0710541 - This project involves in-stream fish habitat enhancements in Sugar Creek: stone toe protection of stream banks in no more than 15 problem areas, securing logjams in no more than 10 suitable areas, and creating no more than 11 boulder clusters. Project was submitted for review on 2-6-07.

Questions and Comments

All questions and comments about the environmental review process or this newsletter should be directed to:

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